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To Whom it may concern,

I am writing this e-mail to let you know what I think of your attack on Microsoft.

It seems to me that the DOJ misunderstands basic economics. In a free society the market will set prices and standards that they are willing to pay. And, if a company tries to charge too much for their product competition will bring them back to a rational price or in to bankruptcy. Competition is what moves us forward, without it there would be no need to advance because there would be no incentive. Competition is what weeds out the companies that don't have the insight to move forward. But this is not a bad thing. A company is trying to get a piece of the market share. They do this by getting the best product for the best price to the customer. If a company cannot do this it is not their competitors fault. The market will always weed out those companies that don't make the most out of their resources. More govt controls are not what is needed. If you look into your history books you will see what that has done over and over again. It has and will crush progress every time. So I hope that America can become the first country to recognize it before it crushes us.

In conclusion I would like to state that each individual knows or should know their economic priorities. Man is not born with the right to have a computer or a certain software system. Microsoft nor any other company owes them anything. If they like the product and have the economic means to purchase it they should, if not so be it. It is not up to the government to decide which company we put our money into.

Thank you for your time

Ray Kilmer